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In Re U.S. Patent Application Of:  
Kok-Hwee Ng, et al.

Application No. 09/865,196

Filed: May 24, 2001

For: A SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR MANAGING  
INVENTORY OF BLOOD COMPONENT  
COLLECTION SOFT GOODS IN A BLOOD  
COMPONENT COLLECTION FACILITY

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) Examiner: J. Shapiro

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Dear Examiner Shapiro:

Pursuant to a telephone call between Examiner J. Shapiro — Group Art Unit 3653 — and Applicants' counsel, Applicants have become aware that Examiner Shapiro does not have a copy of the Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement submitted on January 13, 2003. Applicants believe that each reference cited in the Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement was mailed to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Group Art Unit 2121 (as shown on the Filing Receipt mailed July 25, 2001). At the time of mailing, Applicants were unaware that the application had been assigned to Examiner Shapiro in a different Group Art Unit. A copy of the return postcard was received by the Applicants, however, the postcard was not stamped by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

In an effort to speed prosecution along, Applicants are re-submitting a copy of the following documents: (1) Transmittal of Supplemental Disclosure Statement - No. 1 (2) PTO

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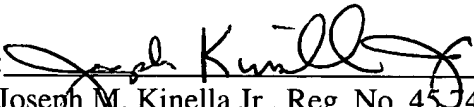
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Form 1449 document, (3) each reference provided in the Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement, and (4) postcard submitted on January 13, 2003.

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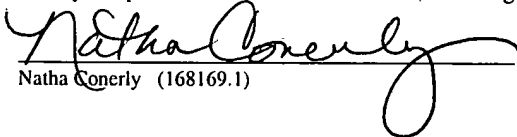
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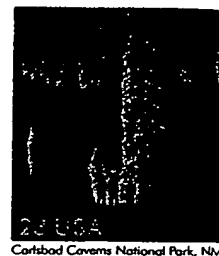
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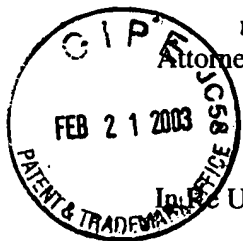
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Enclosures

- Transmittal of Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement - No. 1 (original + 1 copy);
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Dear Sir:


Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants submit herewith Form PTO-1449, "Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement," and a copy of each reference listed therein.

The Examiner is requested to consider carefully the complete text of the enclosed references in connection with the examination of this application. It is requested that the listed references be made of record and included in the "References Cited" portion of any patent issuing from this application.

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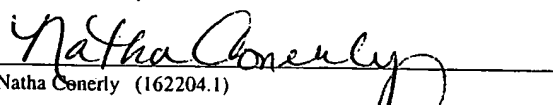
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